

Milliken Tells Flood Aid Plan

Governor Cites \$30 Million Damage Around Lakes

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Noting flood damage alone has caused an estimated \$30 million in damage in Michigan since last November, Gov. William Milliken has outlined proposals to combat disasters caused by

high Great Lakes water levels. Milliken said there has been millions of dollars more in erosion damage recently, with the latest coming in a windy April snowstorm on Monday.

Milliken sent a special message to the Michigan Legislature Wednesday.

The governor recommended nine steps at the state level and 11 at the federal to prepare for future disasters, to help victims by providing tax breaks, and to give local units of government more legal power.

There have been some complaints by local governments of lack of power to go onto private property or to put such items as dikes across private property.

Milliken indicated in his statement that local political subdivisions should have the primary role in action. He said therefore it was essential "that local units of government be given legal authority to help themselves to combat natural disasters."

"The police powers of some political subdivisions are, at best, vague at the present time," Milliken said.

"We must clarify the role of government at the local level and the use of private property where that is the most appropriate method of dealing with actual or threatened disasters."

"To that end, I will prepare amendments to existing village, township and county laws that would give local governments the tools to get the job done."

"Such legislation should have high priority."

Milliken said he also wants to "work with the legislature in determining means of giving local communities ability to create special assessment districts which would provide the benefits of long-term financial help to those shoreline residents who want to help themselves."

Among his other points of state action, Milliken asked the State Legislature to give the governor more powers on declaring natural disasters, especially before they strike.

"Because many types of disasters such as floods, winds of varying degrees of velocity and blizzards often can be foretold as to where and when they will strike, it appears prudent to

permit the disaster apparatus to function before there is an actual incidence of calamity," he said.

"This would avert needless loss of life and property and

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Erosion Problem Will Get Worse

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — "There is no immediate hope of controlling the rising lake levels," Gov. William G. Milliken said Wednesday, assessing damage done in Michigan by Great Lakes flooding and erosion.

In a message to the Legislature, Milliken called for action on the state and federal level to cope with the problem. "All indications are that the situation will get worse before it gets better," he said.

"Lakes Erie and St. Clair are at the highest level in this century and Lakes Huron and Michigan are near the highest mark for the century."

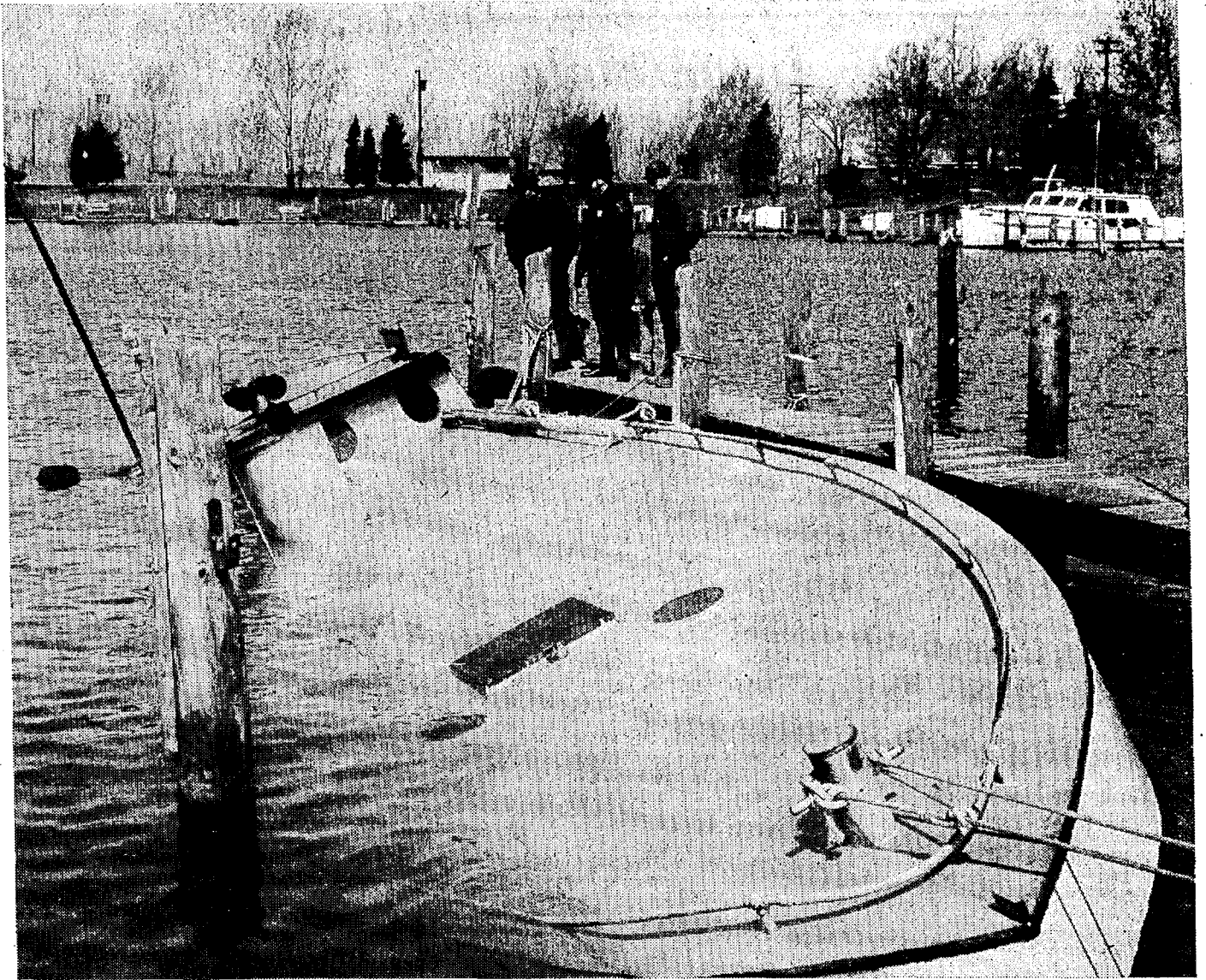
"Summer levels are now predicted to be 10 inches higher than last summer on Lakes Michigan and Huron, and five to six inches higher on Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie."

"We have flooding along 140 miles of Michigan shoreline, and there are more than 500 miles with extremely serious erosion problems. A dozen public water supply systems are in jeopardy."

"There are high risk-shoreline areas in 35 of our 83 counties. About 5,100 homes are threatened by flooding."

"Damage to public and private property totals an estimated \$30 million from flood damage alone, and millions more in erosion damage."

The governor also said more than 20,000 people "have been forced to evacuate their homes."



SCUTTLED FISHING TUG: District DNR Supervisor Eugene Coulson (left), St. Joseph Patrolman Max Kebschull, and Berrien DNR Officer Bill Edwards survey sunken vessel "Ritter Bros." St. Joseph firemen

this morning were pumping water from boat in attempt to raise her. (Staff photo)

'Sabotage', Officials Say

Sunken Boat Being Raised

By SCOTT WILLIAMSON
Staff Writer

St. Joseph firemen this morning were pumping out a scuttled Indiana fishing boat in attempts to raise it after it was found sunk in its berth at the St. Joseph Yacht club basin Wednesday morning.

Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officers said the cause of the sinking was sabotage.

"There's no question that it's sabotage," exclaimed Eugene Coulson, district DNR law supervisor.

The 48-foot fishing vessel, "Ritter Bros.", was found

listing at a sharp angle in its slip at 8:30 a.m.

The partially sunken boat was discovered by Bob Lockwitz, marina operator. He told DNR officers he checked the boat about 5 p.m. Tuesday, and all appeared to be in order.

Bill Edwards, Berrien county conservation officer, said he checked the boat at about 7 p.m., and nothing was amiss.

The boat was confiscated on March 28 when DNR officers arrested two men on charges of illegally fishing in Michigan waters, about 22 miles west of Warren Dunes State Park.

Fred Ritter, of Michigan City, and his brother Charles, of New Buffalo, paid fines and costs of \$800 in district court on their guilty pleas. The brothers' fish out of Michigan City.

The boat was docked in St. Joseph to await possible condemnation proceedings in court.

Officers Coulson and Edwards said the boat sank in five to eight feet of water, and was probably resting on the mud at the bottom of the basin.

They said they found two side hatches open which had previously been shut. In addition, the roof hatch had been

broken into.

Coulson and Edwards believed the vessel was entered through the roof hatch, and a drainage plug was pulled from inside the boat to sink it. They

said they could not be sure of the exact cause of the sinking until the boat is raised or divers inspect the hull.

Lockwitz, the operator of the marina, said raising the vessel

"could be a chore."

He noted he had checked the water line on the tug and it had remained stable since the

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SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES: Psychologist Dr. Irwin Lublin, left, works with smoker David Eastburn on an antismoking machine at his lab at California State University at Los Angeles. Every time the subject lights a cigarette, the machine blows stale cigarette smoke in his face. Lublin has termed his method of breaking cigarette addiction the most successful on record. (AP Wirephoto)

Bumpy LMC Talks Likely To Resume

BY BILL RUSH
Staff Writer

Negotiations between representatives of Lake Michigan college and the striking LMC faculty are expected to begin anew this weekend in the Twin Cities.

Atty. Roger Craig, representing the Lake Michigan Federation of Teachers, said the two sides are "right on the edge of a settlement" and that he hopes for some "hard bargaining" over the weekend. "We have a chance now to effect a settlement."

A plan for settling the two-month old strike was developed during three days of meetings earlier this week between Craig and Atty. Robert Claus, representing the college. But teachers voted to reject one part of the plan which specified that 10 teachers would be paid \$165,000 and would not be reemployed.

Both sides have different versions of who first proposed buying off the 10 instructors. Craig said the college proposed to drop 10 teachers and that he set the price.

In a press release, the college

said: "concerning the so-called buy-out of faculty members, the college accepted the union offer. The union asked the college to take back some of the teachers, leaving up to 10 who

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Inkster Wife Big Winner

DEARBORN HEIGHTS, Mich. (AP) — Purnella Biddy, a 37-year-old Inkster housewife with two children, won the \$200,000 weekly Michigan lottery prize today.

Her husband, Leopole, is employed by Ford Motor Co.

Blossom Lanes we now have open bowling Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. eves. Adv.

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Tart Crop Damage Fairly Heavy

Freezes Hurt Cherry Outlook

BY JERRY KRIEGER
County-Farm Editor

The tart cherry crop in southwestern Michigan apparently suffered fairly heavy damage as result of extreme cold temperatures early Wednesday, according to reports from many sources in the area fruit industry.

At the same time, other reports suggested probable heavy damage tart cherries in

the Hart-Shelby district.

And the Associated Press reported severe damage to peach and tomato crops from Illinois south into Alabama, as result of the same cold wave. The cold moved into the East last night and spread freezing temperatures as far south as northern Florida.

A. Robert Earl, Extension Service director in Van Buren county, said this mor-

ning that a study of tart cherry buds taken from good sites in Van Buren yesterday appeared to show about a 40 per cent kill ratio. Buds cut from poorer fruit sites showed about 60 per cent loss, he said.

Temperatures last night remained in the high 20s and low 30s last night over most of southwestern Michigan, but readings the previous night dipped to between 14 and 17

degrees in many Van Buren orchards, Earl stated. Reports from the Fennville area in Allegan county showed readings as low as 13 degrees. Berrien temperatures read upward from 21 degrees.

Wayne Griffin, fieldman for Silver Mill Frozen Foods at Eau Claire, said it was still too early to evaluate the full extent of the cherry loss, but estimated conservatively that

one-third of the buds were killed through western Berrien county away from the lake. Peaches, apples, grapes and other fruit crops apparently were not hurt excessively in that area.

Earl said there were early signs that Red Delicious apple buds, particularly the king bloom in many blossom

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Winning Numbers!

DEARBORN HEIGHTS, Mich. (AP) — Today's winning number in the Michigan lottery was 060-982.

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Editorial Page

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Reprieve On Automobile Emissions Standards

The decision by the Environmental Protection Agency to extend tough emission standards by automobiles from the 1975 model deadline for a year while simultaneously imposing stiff interim requirements is a welcome, though belated, compromise with reality.

Had the EPA continued on its hardline course adopted last year it would have brought the U.S. automotive industry to a shutdown stage and in so doing sent the entire economy down the drain.

Leonard Woodcock, the UAW president whose union has more than a passing interest in the industry's well being, last week let it be known nothing is to be gained by killing the goose who lays the golden eggs.

Ecology is for everyone, he noted, whether it's the boss in the upstairs headquarters or the worker down on the line, but nothing will be gained by sending both to the welfare office if a timely, reasonable adjustment is given a chance.

The argument between ecology and economics has its hatching ground in the Clean Air Act of 1970 and the EPA which followed shortly thereafter.

Congress adopted the Clean Air Act upon its own amendment of the Barth Report, named after its author, Dr. Delbert Barth.

Dr. Barth based much of his research on the Los Angeles smog which by the 1950s had become a reliable joke for the TV comics.

His findings were the first comprehensive probe into the causes of LA's problems.

Prior to his study it had been common to blame the rubber plants and other exhalant industries ringing Los Angeles as the sole demon causing stockings to run, eyes to smart, paint to peel and metalwork to corrode.

He pinpointed the automobile, the Angeleno's favorite possession, as the major offender.

Dr. Barth went to great lengths to explain that cures were harder to find than causes. He recommended 1980 as a target date for eliminating most of the nitric and carbon oxides which are either poisonous in their own right or become so under the influence of sunlight. He also showed that the atmosphere and sunlight can break

down the same emissions into harmless byproducts.

The political steam generated by the environmentalists was such that Congress which is populated almost entirely by nonscientific types such as lawyers and officeholders from other political jobs decided to place a certainty upon Dr. Barth's scientific uncertainty.

It voted in the 1975 deadline.

Acting under a sweeping statutory mandate which in effect says the environment is deteriorating so rapidly that something must be done even if nobody knows what to do, the EPA adopted the rigid rule that the 1975 models must reduce their carbon emission to at least a tenth of the 1970 models and the 1976 models must drop their nitrogen exhaust to a tenth of the 1971 versions.

The industry's first reaction was one of saying the technology, let alone the basic design research, is non-existent to meet the deadline.

Last year it confidently approached the EPA boss, William D. Ruckelshaus, with a proposal to return to something like Dr. Barth's first thoughts.

Ruckelshaus said no.

His refusal had one salutary effect. It spurred the auto makers to greater effort than they had shown previously. One tangible bit of evidence is the American flirtation with the Wankel engine, a German invention which had lain unnoticed for several years. Development work on this design indicates it has possibilities of replacing the piston type internal combustion engine.

The trick in the whole dispute is to find a propulsion system efficient in its own right.

This efficiency includes the cost factors of the installation and the price to operate it. The reader already may have noticed he is heading his '73 machine into the gas station more frequently than he wheeled in his 1970 or '71 bus.

Nobody quarrels with the necessity to reduce manmade pollution to a minimum.

The thesis only becomes questionable when arm flailing is substituted for knowledge and sound judgment.

Procurement Mess

Military cost overruns are much in the news again, brought to light by a General Accounting Office study of 45 major weapons systems. Every one of the 45 cost more than the original estimates approved by Congress. The average overrun, according to testimony given the House Armed Services Committee, is two to three times the original estimates used by Congress to approve the programs.

The GAO study has produced an interesting breakdown on three major factors involved in military procurement charges mushrooming between approval and completion of individual projects. Twenty-five percent of the increased spending is due to inaccurate estimating, reports the GAO, 30 percent is caused by inflation and 45 per cent is added by revisions to specifications.

Each of these factors, in some individual cases, may be excusable. The preponderance of all of them in numerous cases is not. The inflation factor, for instance, apparently is not

considered when estimates are made at the beginning, yet the most inexperienced contractor or procurement official must know inflation has been a constant too long to be ignored.

Changes in specifications once the project has been adopted have been criticized in Congress on several grounds, especially because they tend to add greater sophistication than is needed for the weapons system to perform its primary function. As for inaccurate estimates, the fact they are almost always on the low side supports the theory some contractors deliberately underestimate to win a bid from the competition.

What it adds up to is less security for more dollars, billions of dollars more. The Defense Department is doing itself no favors by acquiescing in the practice. The continuing story of procurement overruns has created a cynical attitude by parts of the public and Congress on all defense spending requests.

The GAO has made several suggestions for Congress to exercise greater control, including increasing the span of congressional budget authorizations. Another recommendation was for the creation of a new Assistant Secretary of Defense post, one which will be responsible for all systems management.

Centralizing control over military procurement will not sit well with the numerous agencies now involved in the process, but the misleading, and possibly dangerous, situation now existing in military procurement calls for strong congressional action to put this vital and costly component of the nation's defense structure under control.

Despite their many differences, hairs are made of the same kind of material that forms hoofs, claws, snake scales, and fingernails, the National Geographic Society says.

What About A Rematch, Sir?



GLANCING BACKWARDS

HOPE TO RESUCE RUSTY FOUNTAIN

— 1 Year Ago —

St. Joseph's famous Columbian Exposition fountain may not be doomed after all.

City Manager Leland Hill said yesterday that every effort will be made to restore the landmark. But the fountain will have to be dismantled first to determine the exact condition of its statuary and bowls. "We might find it possible to build it back up again," said Hill. "We'll find

somebody who can help us. We're not going to throw it away, that's for sure."

ROHRING IN RACE FOR SCHOOL BOARD

— 10 Years Ago —

William A. Rohring, lifetime area resident and Twin City businessman, today announced his candidacy for the St. Joseph Board of Education.

Rohring is the first to file for the post which will come up for election in June. If elected he

would be the first to serve on the board who did not reside in St. Joseph. One four-year term is to be filled. It is the post now held by R. W. Strauss, board secretary, who has not announced whether he will seek reelection.

AERIAL SQUEEZE ON REICH MOUNTS

— 29 Years Ago —

More than 500 American heavy bombers struck aircraft factories near Vienna today while other pounded the rail yards and airfield of the Croatian capital of Zagreb and yet another fleet swept against Europe from British bases.

The aerial squeezing on Germany from Italy and Britain came after a concentrated RAF night bombing of Aachen, spiderweb center of a railways leading to the invasion-threatened coast of northwest Europe.

WON'T GIVE UP

— 39 Years Ago —

Winter, having done a fine job of record breaking cold, seems unwilling to admit that spring is here. Snow fell in St. Joseph and as far south as Georgia. It was 18 inches deep in upstate New York.

ENTERTAINS LEAGUE

— 49 Years Ago —

The Child Conservation League was entertained by Mrs. Alvin Knaak at her home in the Crawford apartments. Miss Esther Goddess, school nurse, furnished the material for discussion on children of preschool age. Readings were given by Mrs. R. T. Moody and Marguerite Miller.

FIRST BERRIES

— 59 Years Ago —

John Minton of Kalamazoo is picking strawberries from a patch in his back yard and claims to be Michigan's earliest producer.

LARGE BEEF

— 83 Years Ago —

H. Boehm of Pipestone sold Louis Teckert a young steer this week that had been fattened on his farm and weighed 2,100 pounds. Eckert butchered the animal and sold one half to the Queen Anne Market. It is claimed to be the largest beef critter ever killed in St. Joseph.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

PAPER THANKED FOR PUBLICITY

Editor,
Last Saturday afternoon, April 7, the young people of our area were treated to a symphonic concert. It was most interesting for all of us who attended to hear the variety of musical selections, see our friends perform, and learn many things about the symphony and the music. It is activities such as this that make the Twin Cities an interesting place in which to live.

You and your staff played a very important role in informing the public of this opportunity, and for your encouragement and support, we thank you.

Anna B. Haupt
Member Twin Cities
Symphonic Board
194 Highman Park
Benton Harbor

APPRECIATES TELEPHONE GIRLS

Editor,
I would like to tell this community, specially those that take our telephone operators for granted, and never appreciate them until time of need.

I have made remarks and heard others. The operator that saved my father's life, in which two boys, 11 and 13 were home alone at the time of his stroke and convulsions occurred and also bleeding, contacted the telephone operator who told the boys what to do while she contacted the state police and ambulance.

So community, let's not down our telephone operators and say they are having coffee breaks all the time, we need them.

Mrs. Robert Stark
Route 1, Brownstown road
Sawyer.

THE FAMILY LAWYER

Father's Rights



Does an unwed father have any right to the custody of his child?

As a rule, in case of dispute, the law gives preference to the mother. Two arguments are generally cited in her favor:

1) that mother's love is a more powerful emotional tie than father's love; and
2) that the mother's kinship to the child is more certain than the father's.

But suppose the mother is out of the picture — perhaps uninterested in the child, perhaps unfit, perhaps dead. Then, may the unwed father insist on custody if he so chooses?

The question arises in conflicts with the mother's relatives or with a community agency. The tendency in recent

years — perhaps reflecting greater attention to the role of the unwed father — has been for the courts to rule in his favor.

For example:

In a custody fight between an unwed father and the maternal grandmother, the court awarded the child to the father. The court felt that, other things being equal, the closer relationships should make the difference.

Of course, the father himself may be disqualified by his own failings. In another case, an unwed father filed suit to gain custody of his two young daughters. They had been entrusted by their mother to her aunt.

However, the court decided that the children were better off where they were, with the aunt. The court pointed to evidence that, on several occasions, the father had been guilty of "cruelty and depravity" — hence, was not likely to provide a proper home for the girls.

As one judge put it:

"The polar star for determining the custody of children is what serves the best interests of the children."

Ray Cromley

Takes Production To Curb Spiral



WASHINGTON (NEA) — If President Nixon wants to cut the inflation of food prices over the long run, there's only one way to do it — raise production.

Historically, price controls work only for short periods if they work at all. And they have side effects. They distort the economy. Marketers quickly learn ways around the controls.

All too frequently, the wrong group gets squeezed. Despite the high meat prices, for example, a farmer can get caught between the heavy costs of production and an erratic market. Speculators, or a few major producers which are more like conglomerates than farmers, often rake off what large profits there are.

President Nixon has taken one major step — taken a considerable chunk of farmland out of the "stockpile" so that added wheat, corn and other crops can be grown. But in the next few years these gains in production may be more than offset by a continued world shortage of grains which now seems to be in prospect.

But there's another way out. No up-to-date figures seem to be available, and what figures there are seem to be somewhat contradictory. Nevertheless, after taking these uncertainties into account, research seems to indicate that plant diseases cost us at least \$3 billion a year in crop losses in the United States alone, that insects take another \$3 billion and weeds \$2 billion more. Pollution adds between \$100 million and \$500 million dollars a year for a grand total of between \$8 billion and \$8.5 billion dollars each 12 months.

Now no one in his right mind believes that these disease-pest-weed-pollution losses overall can be eliminated or even cut in half in the next

decade. But even a 10 per cent or 20 per cent cutback would mean major production gains.

In some key areas of course, one or another of these factors can be even more serious than the averages noted above. In those instances where crop production and heavy pollution do occur in the same general vicinity, there can be very high losses from this one source alone.

One study a few years back reported grape yields were reduced in Los Angeles County by 40 to 50 per cent and citrus by 20 per cent.

In areas close to a single sulfur dioxide source, one fumigation episode may result in a loss of 50 to 60 per cent to one cutting of alfalfa.

The food problem worldwide may be on the increase as Russians, Japanese, East and West Europeans and other peoples improve their standards of living and as the world population grows at rates faster than production can be increased. The nations with improving living standards demand more meat—and, as everyone knows, meat production is costly in its use of grain. There are increasing pressures on the world's fish supply, with the major fishing nations pushing their fleets so desperately hard that the supplies of some important species are in danger. This throws more pressure back on meat and grain.

The United States has done well in the past two decades in research on crop and animal pests and diseases. But we are now in an inflation emergency which could last a very long time. Short run measures may get us by for now. But for the long run we need to institute a crash program in research equivalent in scope to the Apollo race to the moon.

Jeffrey Hart

Ted Pushing

Fat Pork Barrel



In recent months, hard-headed Congresswoman Edith Green (D-Ore.) has become something of a specialist in the operations of what she calls the "poverty - education - industrial complex," and she has succeeded in putting the spotlight on the vast network of interest groups financed by the foundations and by the Federal Government and making big money out of studies, research and policy recommendations on a whole range of supposed problems and crises.

Senator Edward Kennedy is moving shrewdly to cultivate this far-flung interest group by setting up for its benefit a couple of the porkiest barrels since the palmy days of old Honey Fitz himself.

Last year, Kennedy pushed Senate Bill S. 32 through the upper chamber. It would have authorized the expenditure of \$1.8 billion to re-tool former defense-oriented scientists for more virtuous work in the civilian area. No doubt this project will sound laudable to some. Still, one of the prime lobbyists for the measure, Dr.

Jeremy Stone, the director of the Federation of American Scientists, explained in a sudden seizure of candor that the \$1.8 billion would really be "a pork barrel for the scientific community." Last year, S. 32 died in the House, but the push is on again for passage this session.

It is common enough knowledge that when you shake certain tax-free foundations Kennedy operatives fall out of the branches like autumn leaves. The foundations are their resting place between campaigns. But now Kennedy is establishing a second juicy pork barrel, this time at the expense of the Federal treasury.

Congress has established something called the Office of Technological Assessment, currently funded at \$5 million, and commissioned it to study the "physical, biological, economic, social and political efforts of technology." In other words, it's a Committee on the Universe.

Kennedy himself, the moving force behind the idea, has naturally enough been elected director of the policy-making board. Liberal Democratic Kennedy-type scientists like Jerome Wiesner of M.I.T. — who actually was a New Frontiersman and Camelotter — and Herbert York of the University of California are in line for top posts. And, of course, the initial funding at \$5 million is only the nose of the camel poking into the tent.

An outfit like this is bound to contract for all sorts of studies, projects, interdisciplinary seminars and junkets. Academic camp-followers of the Kennedys will once again be in Fat City. Vast means will be discerned in the poverty-education-pollution area. Teams of social scientists will, after conducting expensive studies, discover new virtues in day-care centers, racial balance, busing, and whatnot.

If you think there's something to be said for the SST, the ABM or the Alaska pipeline, don't apply at this address.



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LION CLUBS GIRD FOR WHITE CANE WEEK: Representatives of eight area Lions clubs heard Dennis Williams, blind young man from St. Joseph, explain his quest for an education in speech at luncheon at Flagship Restaurant, St. Joseph Holiday Inn. Dennis gets around with the help of his seeing eye dog, "Duffy," a 19-month old Golden Retriever. He obtained the dog earlier this year from the leader dog school at Rochester. White Cane campaign, in which Lions sell small

white lapel canes to finance sight conservation projects like the leader dog school runs to April 28. Tag days are scheduled for April 27 and 28. Club White Cane week chairmen are from left: Dick Scovel, Berrien Springs; Larry Dienes, Coloma; Ron Kuzma, Lakeshore; Orme Friedrich, Three Oaks; John Bellinger, Bridgman; Dick Kasmer, St. Joseph; Roger Perrin, Fairplain, and Bill Rill, Benton Harbor. (Staff Photo)

BH Plans End Of Split Shifts

But Not This Year, Says School Superintendent

The Benton Harbor school district hopes to eliminate split shifts at the senior high, but it won't be done next year.

In a planning statement adopted by the board of education, Superintendent Raymond Sreboth said the administration hopes to alleviate the crowded conditions "to eliminate the need for an extended day program."

But he also said school organization in 1973-74 will operate much the same as the current year, including retention of split shifts at BHHS.

The current school year is the third year the split sessions have been in effect.

Sreboth stated the vocational program will be expanded or improved as a result of the acquisition of the Technical center on the Britain avenue campus, which has been leased to Lake Michigan college.

For the long run, Sreboth said the administration intends to submit plans to the board to alleviate overcrowded conditions at the secondary level with the goal of eliminating split shifts and providing more space for junior high students.

His statement did not contain specifics but he said nothing as ambitious as the 1972 building plan would be presented. This involved a \$25 million bond issue which was trounced at the polls.

On financing for 1973-74, Sreboth said the May 14 board meeting would be the last opportunity to place operating millage on the ballot for the regular school election June 11.

Seven and a half mills of extra voted operating millage expired with last December's tax notices.

On federal aid Sreboth said: "The planning for the use of federal funds programs will

continue, even though the matter of funding and method of distribution has not been resolved by the President or congress."

The planning statement says student enrollment will be about 11,000 next year.



FRED MUNCHOW, JR.
Receives award from chamber

First Chamber Award Presented To Coloma Man

COLOMA — Coloma City Commissioner Fred A. Munchow Jr. last night was named the first recipient of "Man of

the Year" award ever presented by the Coloma-Watervliet-Paw Paw Lake chamber of commerce.

William Beverly, vice president of the chamber, said Beverly, who called the project "the most significant thing to ever happen in this part of Berrien county," commended Munchow for his "unending drive and ambition" to see the project carried out.

He said the entire community is indebted to him for his efforts.

Munchow, a native of Coloma, is serving his second four-year term on the Coloma commission. He was elected chairman of the planning commission in 1968.

Traffic Deaths

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
April 12 State Police Count:
This year 544.
Last year 519.

Blossomtime Concert Popular Scholarship For Queen

Directors of Blossomtime, Inc., today announced a second Terry Baccash award has been created—a \$500 scholarship

grant that will go for the first time this year to Miss Blossomtime.

Last year, a Terry Baccash trophy award was created, with the trophy presented annually to the outstanding parade float.

The trophy will be a "floating" award, presented each year to the float contest winner.

Baccash, Benton Harbor insurance man, was a veteran director of Blossomtime until his death in 1971 at the age of 53.

Money for the Baccash scholarship award comes from voluntary contributions specifically donated by private citizens; it does not involve corporate funds of the organization that stages the annual Blossom Festival here. The original trophy has

already been paid for, so all future monies will be directed to the scholarship fund, a spokesman said.

It was also announced that the 7 p.m. first performance of the May 3 Blossomtime country concert has already been sold out, and a second show at 9 p.m. has been scheduled.

The Terry Baccash scholarship will be awarded to Miss Blossomtime to attend an accredited school of higher learning. Donations are now being accepted, the committee said.

Mr. Baccash, was a longtime member of Blossomtime, having joined the parade committee in 1952, the year Blossomtime was again started following a 10-year dormancy from World War II.

Mr. Baccash had served as chairman of the parade

committee, on the board of directors, vice president, president, and treasurer during his tenure with Blossomtime.

The Blossomtime concert will be held in the Lakeshore high school auditorium, and will headline country-western stars Donna Fargo, Little Jimmy Dickens, Charlie Mott and the Jokers, and 13-year-old Reshonda Wells.

Jay Holt, chairman of the concert, also announced Tom Ferren, of WSJM in St. Joseph, will be the master of ceremonies. Ferren is

manager of WSJM-FM, which specializes in country-western music.

Ferren has been in the broadcasting field for 18 years, and has been employed by WSJM for 13 years. He also plays the piano and trumpet professionally.

He and his wife, Becky, and two children, reside in Stevensville.

Chairman Holt said tickets for the 9 p.m. concert are still available at various ticket outlets in Berrien county.

Widow Winner In \$50,000 Suit

The widow of a Fairplain businessman killed late in 1969 in the crash of his light plane

Wednesday won her Berrien circuit court suit to collect \$50,000 from Lloyd's of London on an accidental death policy.

Six jurors in Judge William S. White's court deliberated 11 minutes to end a two-day trial with the award for Mrs. Maureen C. Kinnavy, mother of six.

Her husband, Roger, 42, disappeared Nov. 13, 1969, while piloting his light plane from Chicago. Wreckage from the plane was discovered several days later and the body was recovered Dec. 6, 1969, on a

Lake Michigan beach near New Buffalo. Mrs. Kinnavy sued, claiming the London, England, underwriters failed to pay her \$50,000 as beneficiary on her husband's accidental death policy.

The defense claimed the policy excluded deaths in aviation "except while a passenger..." and the plaintiff claimed the exclusion was inapplicable because of ambiguity.

Judge White ruled in favor of plaintiff, saying a private plane pilot also is a passenger, found

the exclusion ambiguous and struck it as an affirmative defense.

The issue left to jurors was whether death was accidental, and they deliberated 11 minutes before making the award.

Judge White's ruling is expected to be appealed.

Mrs. Kinnavy was represented by St. Joseph Atty. James McQuillan, and the defendants by Benton Harbor Attys. Dale and Dalton Seymour.

U.S. Ponders Timely Verdict For Berrien, Cass, Van Buren

WASHINGTON — The Department of Transportation has received petitions from boards of commissioners in Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties seeking transfer to the Central Time Zone.

Atty. Robert Ross, of the DOT, said the petitions will be considered and a determination made by the DOT if a hearing will be held.

Results of the hearing would influence, the DOT's decision, Ross said.

He did not speculate on chances of the three counties

being transferred to the Central Time Zone, but noted the petitions were received at a late hour for any change this year.

Every county in Michigan except four is scheduled to go on Daylight Savings Time April 29. The four exempted counties are Gogebic, Iron, Dickinson and Menominee in the western portion of the Upper Peninsula.

The DOT announced Wednesday that the four counties will be switched to the Central Time Zone April 29 at 2 a.m.



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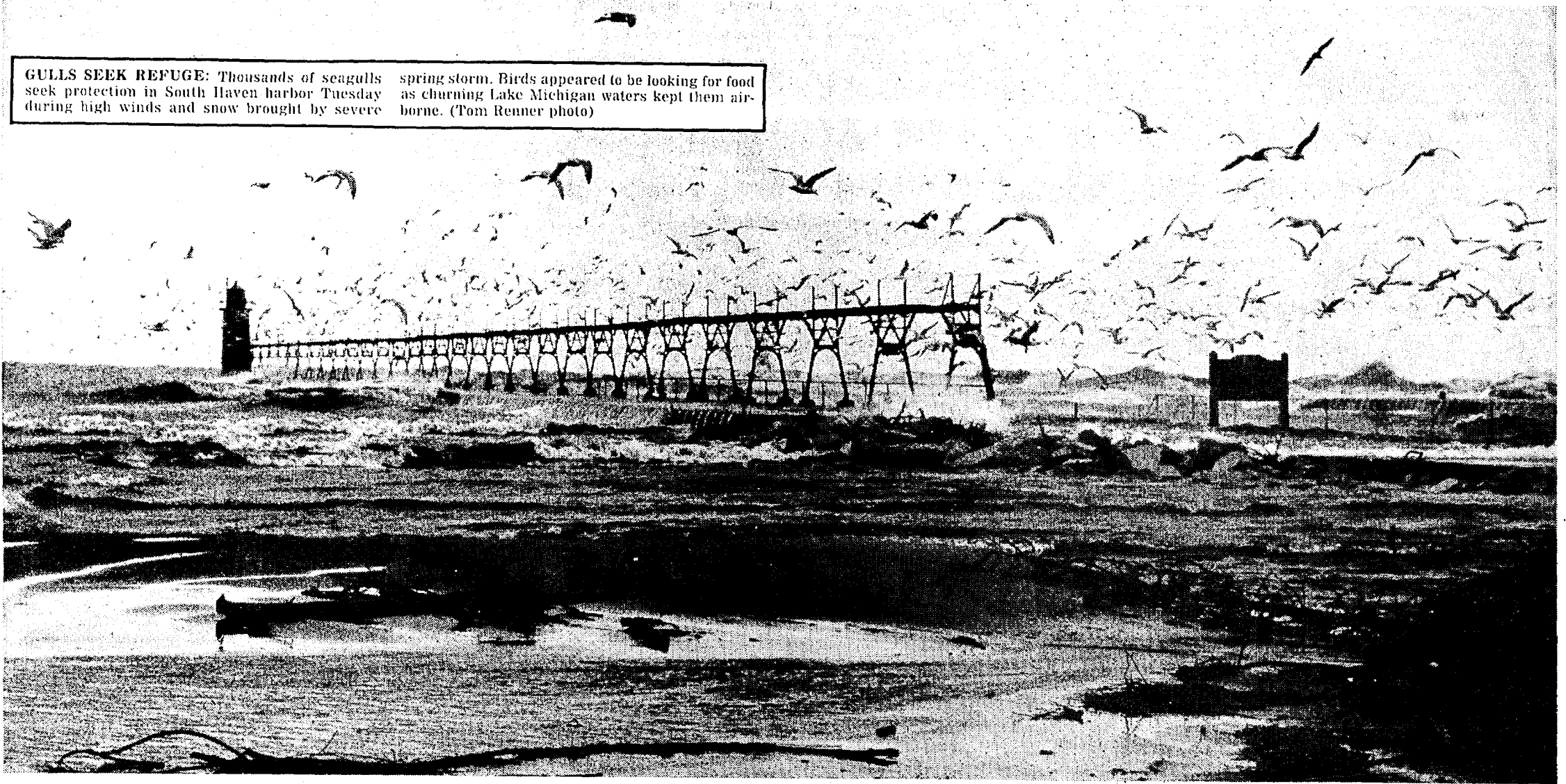
GLAMOUR'S POOL PLACE: The largest outdoor display of swimming pools both in-ground and above ground in Michiana is a feature of Glamour's Pool Place, now located at 5595 Red Arrow highway, Stevensville. Grand opening is scheduled for April 14-22. Office will be open from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Founded in 1968 and located previously on West John Beers road,

the new location offers complete display of pool accessories. From left are Chuck Lemacks of McGough Construction Co., Inc., the builders; Mrs. Paul (Phyllis) Kolenko, office manager; Paul Kolenko, Jack Kroening and Don Geresy, associates in Glamour's Pool Place. (Staff Photo)

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GULLS SEEK REFUGE: Thousands of seagulls seek protection in South Haven harbor Tuesday during high winds and snow brought by severe

spring storm. Birds appeared to be looking for food as churning Lake Michigan waters kept them airborne. (Tom Renner photo)



Try 'End Run' To Cut Meat Costs

Butchers Give Tips That Appease Both Stomachs, Wallets

BY GARRETT DEGRAFF
Staff Writer

The frontal assault—the boycott—isn't the only strategy for combating the high cost of meat.

An end run approach using smart shopping, eating habit changes and resourceful cooking is another option for consumers with no yearning to try vegetarianism.

The latter strategy was formulated from comments by four area butchers surveyed as to how carnivorous shoppers could appease both their stomachs and their wallets.

Meatmen surveyed were Phil Froebel of Ernie's Meat Market, Stevensville; Jeff Bowen of Harding's, Waterford; Frank Notaro of Hilltop, Hilltop road, St. Joseph; and Lou Cordaro of A&P, Riverview drive,

Benton Harbor.

Shopping the ads and buying featured items won the meatmen's unanimous support as a way to save. If the shopper has freezer space, the butchers recommend buying sale items in bulk.

Chicken and turkey were cited as items that fluctuate more in price than most meats and sometimes are marked down drastically for sales.

Buying sides of beef can cut meat costs, too, according to the butchers. They note a side goes for about 89 cents a pound.

However, buying a side isn't as much of a bargain as it first may appear. Notaro of Hilltop stated, he explained that a side includes 21 to 22 percent waste. Bowen of Harding's in Waterford pointed out that the

buyer has to be ready to use all the cuts in a side, including less popular ones, if he wants to save money.

Another hitch in buying a side is finding freezer space for 200 pounds of beef at a shot. Shopper with limited freezer space can band together, order a side, and split it and the cost.

Froebel said shoppers at Ernie's who buy ground beef in quantities of 10 pounds or more receive a five to 10 cent a pound reduction.

Notaro urged shoppers to carefully look through a stack of meat, selecting the piece that has the least fat and bone. Meat that is improperly trimmed, even if on sale, is often a bad buy, he said.

Buying cheaper, less popular meats is another money saver.

Recommended items include poultry, ground beef, some fish species, rib and chuck steaks (rather than porterhouse), end cut pork chops (rather than center cut), liver, heart, kidneys and tongue.

The cuts, the butchers maintain, can be just as good as more expensive meats. The trick is good preparation.

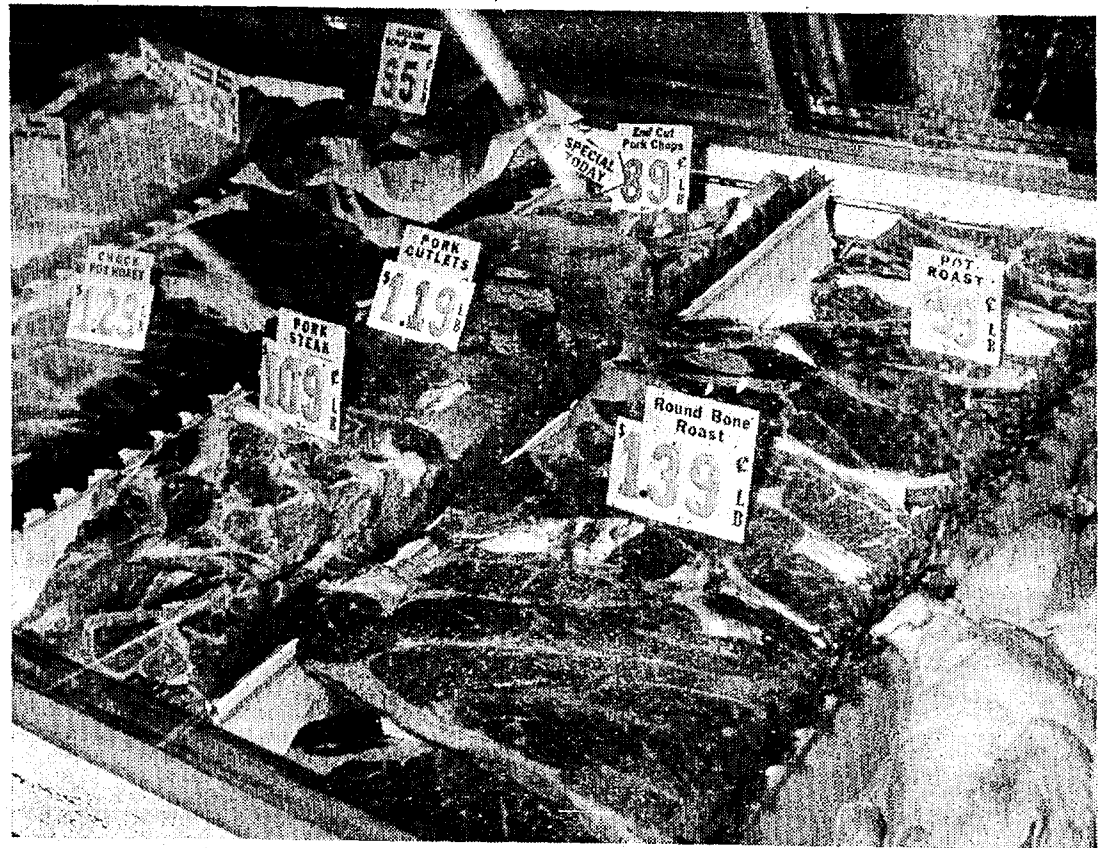
To improve the quality of less expensive steaks, it was recommended they be marinated before cooking.

Liver, kidney, beef heart and other such meats are "delicacies in a lot of places," Froebel said. "If you know what to do with them their a bargain."

That all-American favorite, ground beef, is still a good buy because it has so little waste, A&P's Cordaro stated.

Fish suggested by Cordaro were imported varieties such as turbot and halibut.

Meat prices, Bowen stated, are governed pretty much by supply and demand. "For us, it's either sell it or smelt it," he said.



HIGH COST COMMODITY: Despite last week's boycott, meat prices are still near record highs. Intelligent shopping, adopting less expensive tastes

and careful cooking are ways to deal with high meat costs recommended by four area butchers. (Staff photo)



CASS DIAL-A-RIDE VAN: Kathleen McCleave, project director for Cass county Council on Aging, steps into new van purchased for "Dial-A-Ride" aspect of council's program with \$4,000 appropriation by Cass county board of commissioners. Van will be used to transport citizens age 60 and older who need rides for daily business. Miss McCleave said qualified drivers are being sought to volunteer on half-day basis to drive van. Hours for the program are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Telephone number for free service is 445-8110. (Norma Learner photo)

Accused In Police Killing

Oliver Competent For Trial

BY BRANDON BROWN
Staff Writer

The accused slayer of a Michigan state trooper was ruled competent to stand trial by a Berrien circuit judge Wednesday.

Judge Julian Hughes issued the ruling for Kenneth Eugene Oliver, 33, a Detroit accused of first-degree murder of Trooper Steven DeVries on Oct. 12 following a bank robbery in Niles.

No trial date is set. But hearings on defense motions are scheduled in Judge Hughes' court April 19.

Berrien Prosecutor Ronald J.

Taylor moved for a ruling of competent to stand trial, arguing testimony Wednesday by a state psychologist and psychiatrist indicate Oliver is not only competent but "extremely competent," able to converse and aware of case strategy.

Dr. Lynn W. Blunt, a psychiatrist and clinical director at the state forensic center who examined Oliver March 13, testified he believes Oliver competent to stand trial.

He also testified his notes show Oliver implied he requested the competency examination for reasons in-

cluding causing a delay in trial. "Did that indicate to you an ability on his part to discern strategic elements of his case?" asked Prosecutor Taylor.

"It certainly did," the doctor testified.

Dr. Blunt also testified Oliver indicated he did not want to talk of the specific offense during examination March 13.

Jeff A. Epstein, a clinical psychologist at the forensic center, testified Oliver is "probably one of the most articulate patients we've ever had" and well-versed in legal-technical jargon.

Benton Harbor Atty. John Dewane, counsel for Oliver, quizzed the two forensic center employees but offered no witnesses of his own, no argument and no opposition to Taylor's motion for a ruling of competent to stand trial.

Oliver was returned to county jail, without bond.

Expected to be heard by Judge Hughes at 9:30 a.m. April 19 are motions by Atty. Dewane to: Change venue for trial; suppress oral statements by defendant to police; discover witness' statements held by the prosecutor; quash charges against the defendant;

appoint a psychiatrist to evaluate the defendant and aid the defense; have the prosecutor disclose to the court evidence tending to negate guilt or mitigate the degree of offenses charged; and to suppress from trial evidence including clothing, paint, tape, a revolver and ammunition, 60 five-dollar bills, bank money wrappers and adding machine tapes, samples of hair, eyelashes, mustache and blood, and a letter to "Pamela Algar" containing letter addressed to Mr. Thomas Bradford containing map and correspondence.